

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, OUTDOOR RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Senate Hearing Room, Boji Tower

Thursday 8:00 A.M.

October 11, 2007

Representative Joel Sheltroun, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Sheltroun requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Sheltroun, Brown, Kathleen Law, Lindberg, Simpson, Casperson, Walker and Stakoe.

Absent: Representatives Ebli, Hammon and Horn.

Representative Casperson moved to excuse the absent members.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Ebli, Hammon and Horn.

The House Committee on Tourism, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources met in a Special Joint Session with the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

Representative Kathleen Law moved to approve the minutes of the **September 11, 2007** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

Dennis Muchmore, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, testified in support of the proposed 2007 Inland Hunting, Fishing & Gathering Rights Consent Decree. Questions and discussion followed.

James Ekdahl, representing the Upper Peninsula Field Deputy and Lead Tribal Coordinator, **Christopher Dobyns**, representing the Attorney Generals office, Chief **Kelley D. Smith**, representing the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Fisheries Division, **Thomas Courchaine**, Acting Assistant Law Enforcement Division (DNR), and **Patrick Lederie**, Acting Assistant Wildlife Division Chief (DNR) gave a briefing on the Proposed 2007 Inland Hunting, Fishing & Gathering Rights Consent Decree. Questions and discussion followed.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **9:50 a.m.**

Representative Joel Sheltrown, Chair

Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
October 11, 2007
110 minutes

Date Approved and Signed